Pg: 1/5

OCT 17 2006

1300 Eye Street N.W. Washington, DC 20005 Telephone: 202 659.0100 Facsimile: 202.659.0105 www.novakdruce.com

Novak Druce & Quigg, LLP



Toc	U.S. Patent and Trademark Office	From	James Remenick
Faoc	571-273-8300	Pages:	5 (w/fax cover)
Art Unit	1645	Dates	October 17, 2006

• Comments:

ATTN: MAIL STOP RCE

Applicant:

James D. THACKER

Application No...

10/020,923

Filing Date:

December 19, 2001

Title:

METHODS FOR THE RAPID DETECTION OF ACTIVELY RESPIRING

MICROORGANISM

Atty Docket No.:

8109.003.USDV

Attached

- Certificate of Transmission Under 37 CFR 1.8 (1 pg)
- 2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (1 pg)
- Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg)
- Credit Card Payment Form (1 pg)

Confidentiality Notice: This facsimile and any attachments contain information from the law firm of Novak Druce & Quigg, LLP, which may be confidential and/or privileged. The information is intended to be for the use of the individual or entity named on this facsimile. If you are not the intended recipient, be aware that any disclosure, copying, distribution or use of the contents of this facsimile is prohibited. If you receive this facsimile in error, please notify us by reply facsimile immediately so that we can arrange for the retrieval of the original documents at no cost to you.

NDDQ LLP

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

RECEIVED

CENTRAL FAX CENTER

James D. THACKER

Group Art Unit:

1645

OCT 17 2006

Application Number:

10/020,923

Examiner:

Jana A. HINES

Filing Date:

December 19, 2001

Title:

METHODS FOR THE RAPID DETECTION OF ACTIVELY RESPIRING

MICROORGANISM

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 18

Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

ATTN: Mail Stop RCE

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 17, 2006.

Nadine E. Johnson

List of Transmitted Documents:

- 1. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (1 pg)
- 2. Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg)
- Credit Card Payment Form (1 pg)